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Neldon Kunz  
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Re: Correction to Time Frame to Finalize Reclamation Surety Estimate, I-12 Amendment, American Gilsonite Company (AGC), Bonanza Operations, M/047/010, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Kunz:

The Division received your letter dated June 9, 2000, explaining the error in the proposed time frame for completion of the reclamation estimate review. We also received a copy of your letter to Will Stokes of the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) requesting reassignment of the \$5,000 surety posted for mineral lease ML-31999 to the ML-851 lease.

Information from SITLA indicates there currently is no bond posted with them for lease ML-31999, therefore, no bond can be reassigned to lease ML-851. At this time, the Division cannot grant approval to begin work on sinking the shaft at site I-12.

**The Division will accept the proposed 90-day time frame for completion of the detailed reclamation estimate review rather than 45 days.** This 90-day period shall begin from the date the Division grants approval to begin work on the I-12 shaft, which will occur after the Division receives notification from SITLA that an acceptable surety has been posted for lease ML-851. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5286, or Tony Gallegos at (801) 538-5267. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg  
Permit Supervisor  
Minerals Reclamation Program

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cc: Will Stokes, SITLA  
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